Mountain Weather Forecast

Yorkshire Dales National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 31 Jul 2023 until 23:59 on Tuesday 01 Aug 2023

Forecast Issued on Monday 31 Jul 2023 at 03:55

Confidence: Only moderate confidence in forecast details over the next few days, particularly with the timing and extent of rain and showers.

Headline for Monday 31 Jul 2023: Early rain clearing to brighter spells, but frequent showers turning heavier later.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 31 Jul 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Medium Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Heavy Rain	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers (night)
Precipitation probability					
60%	60%	80%	90%	90%	80%

Forecast for Monday 31 Jul 2023

Weather: Overcast with persistent rain through the early hours. This clearing away to the north gradually through the morning, turning increasingly drizzly in the west and drier across the eastern Dales. Cloud breaking to give some brighter spells by the afternoon but showers developing widely. Showers turning locally heavy and persisting through the afternoon and into the evening and overnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 30%, becoming 70% in the east into the afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud with bases around 300-400m through the morning, perhaps higher for a time in the east. Low cloud is expected to increasingly lift clear of hills and break up by the afternoon but may persist across higher peaks in the western Dales throughout. Bases elsewhere may dip around showers to cover higher summits. Visibility poor or very poor in heavy rain or drizzle, improving to generally good, but frequently moderate to poor in showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	17/23 SW	19/25 W	20/28 W	21/29 W	18/27 W	16/23 W	14/20 W
300	11/22 SW	12/24 W	13/26 W	14/27 W	14/27 W	11/22 W	9/19 W
Valley	9/21 SW	10/21 W	12/25 W	12/25 W	11/23 W	10/21 W	7/16 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	13/10	12/9	12/8	11/7	11/8	11/8	10/8
300	14/12	14/12	14/11	13/11	13/10	13/11	12/11
Valley	15/14	15/14	15/13	14/12	14/12	14/12	14/13
Freezing Level*	2800m	2500m	2500m	2500m	2500m	2500m	2400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Watercourses may become swollen and surfaces saturated and slippery. Extensive low cloud and heavy rain making for challenging navigation and difficult walking conditions, especially on higher routes in the west. Some improvements through the afternoon, but still seeing prolonged deterioration across higher routes in the vicinity of showers.

Recent rainfall: measured at Malham: altitude 375m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
02:00 on Mon 31 Jul 2023	9.4mm	17mm	17.4mm

Forecast for Tuesday 01 Aug 2023

Weather: Banks of low cloud throughout the morning accompanied by rain and drizzle. This may persist across the northern Dales for much of the day. Conditions likely improving gradually through the afternoon, especially in the south with some bright spells and more isolated showers. Showers perhaps turning locally heavy. Drier and brighter through the evening, with cloud thickening from the west late on.

Maximum wind: West 10-15mph, gusts 20-25mph. Turning south and easing later.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20% at first, improving from the south to 70%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Banks of low cloud with bases around 400m, more extensively over the northern Dales. Cloud then likely lifting clear of most summits, around 600-700m. Breaks developing more widely in the south. Bases may lower to around 500m in the vicinity of heavier showers. Visibility generally good, but poor or very poor in rain and drizzle and moderate in showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 13 Celsius, rising to Plus 16 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 9 Celsius becoming Plus 12 Celsius.
Freezing level: Remaining well above summits.

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